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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- ☒ Amendment/Response to Office Action (4 pgs.); and
- ☒ Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21509-020DIV. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO AUGUST 26, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This paper is in response to the August 26, 2003 Final Office Action. Applicants are filing this Amendment and Reply within the shortened statutory period set to expire on October 26, 2003; therefore, no additional fees are due. Specifically, Applicants are filing this Reply within two-months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21509-020 DIV.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.